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FROM : [ ]  
EVALUATION: C-3  
SUBJECT : ACTIVITIES OF GRAND MUFTI IN PRESENT CRISIS

SOURCE : JOURNALIST WITH GOOD CONTACTS IN EGYPTIAN CIRCLES

1. SOURCE REPORTED ON 2 NOVEMBER THAT THE EX-MUFTI OF JERUSALEM, HAJJ AMIN AL-HUSAYNI, ADMITS SENDING WORD TO HIS FOLLOWERS IN ALL ARAB COUNTRIES URGING ATTACKS AND SABOTAGE AGAINST ALL BRITISH, AMERICAN, AND FRENCH PERSONS AND PROPERTY TO SHOW SUPPORT OF EGYPT. SOURCE STATES THAT THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF A FORMAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE EX-MUFTI AND THE MOSLEM BROTHERHOOD IKHWAN AL-MUSLIMIN, BUT ADDS THAT AL-HUSAYNI HAS CONFERRED WITH THEIR LEADERS AND WITH SOCIALISTS AND THE EGYPTIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, OFFERING THE SERVICES OF HIS (THE EX-MUFTI'S) GROUPS.

2. MINISTER OF INTERIOR SIRAJ-AL-DIN PASHA, IN TRYING TO CALM THINGS IN EGYPT, MET WITH ALI MAHIR AND OPPOSITION LEADERS ON 2 NOVEMBER AND CONFERRED WITH THE EDITORS OF AL-ISHTERAKIA AND OTHER EXTREMIST PAPERS. SOURCE COMMENTS THAT SINCE FOREIGN MINISTER SALAH-AL-DIN IS LEAVING FOR THE UNITED NATIONS MEETING IN PARIS, SIRAJ-AL-DIN PASHA MAY SUCCEED IN HIS ATTEMPT.

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